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SUBJECT: DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 19

1. FOLLOWING ARE THE DAILY ACTIVITY REPORTS FROM THE
PRINCIPALS. E, T, M, AND C DID NOT SUBMIT REPORTS.

CHARLES W. ROBINSON

I JOINED WITH PRINCE SAUD IN HIS MEETING WITH THE PRESI-
DENT FOR A BROAD-RANGE DISCUSSION OF OUR BILATERAL
RELATIONS. SCOWCROFT'S REPORT WILL COVER A NUMBER OF
IMPORTANT ITEMS, BUT IN SUMMARY PRINCE SAUD MADE CLEAR
THEIR INTENTION TO OPPOSE AN OIL PRICE INCREASE IN DECEM-
BER WITH THE NOT SO SUBTLE CONDITION THAT WE PLAY
SQUARELY WITH THEM REGARDING ARMS DELIVERIES AND THE
ARAB BOYCOTT.

I PARTICIPATED IN THE PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH SENATORS
INVOLVED IN NUCLEAR LEGISLATION -- JAVITS, RIBICOFF,
PERCY, GLENN, PASTORE AND CONGRESSMEN RHODES AND PRICE.
THE MEETING WAS PROMPTED BY PERCY WHO IS SEEKING A
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COMPROMISE SOLUTION ON A BILL TO CONTROL NUCLEAR

PROLIFERATION. IT WAS AGREED THAT STATE AND ERDA WOULD INVESTIGATE THIS POSSIBILITY AND DETERMINE WHETHER THERE WAS A SUFFICIENT LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS TO JUSTIFY A LAST MINUTE COMPROMISE EFFORT.

I DISCUSSED WITH SENATOR JAVITS THE PROGRAM WHICH HE HAS PLANNED FOR SOLICITING U.S. CORPORATE SUPPORT FOR RHODESIA IN CONNECTION WITH YOUR PRESENT NEGOTIATION. I PASSED ON YOUR VIEW THAT THERE WOULD BE NO PROBLEM WITH THE MEETING HE PLANNED IN NEW YORK SO LONG AS IT WAS KEPT ON A TACTICALLY CORRECT COURSE. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR YOUR SUPPORT BUT INDICATED THAT HE HAD CONCLUDED THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER TO HOLD OFF ON THIS MEETING AND IT IS NOW SCHEDULED FOR WEEK AFTER NEXT.

I MET WITH ALEX JOHNSON WHO IS RETURNING TO GENEVA. HE IS REALISTIC ABOUT THE PROSPECTS FOR NEW NEGOTIATING INSTRUCTIONS BETWEEN NOW AND THE ELECTION BUT DOES INTEND TO DO WHAT HE CAN TO PRESERVE NEGOTIATING MOMENTUM.

SCOWCROFT, YEO AND GREENSPAN JOINED ME FOR LUNCH WITH PAUL MCCrackEN, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF A NON-GOVERNMENTAL ECONOMISTS' GROUP, ESTABLISHED BY THE OECD TO STUDY PROSPECTS FOR MEDIUM-TERM NON-INFLATIONARY GROWTH AMONG THE INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS. WE EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO MCCrackEN'S STUDY, THE FINAL REPORT OF WHICH IS DUE IN EARLY 1977, BECAUSE (1) THE STUDY IS THE ONLY WORK BEING DONE INTERNATIONALLY IN THIS AREA AND (2) THE GROUP'S CONCLUSIONS MAY HELP STRENGTHEN OECD POLICY COORDINATION.

AFTER LUNCH BRENT SCOWCROFT AND I MET TO DISCUSS NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION POLICY AND HOW WE MIGHT PROCEED TO BREAK THE CONGRESSIONAL LOG JAM ON THE NUCLEAR FUELS ASSURANCE ACT.

FILLED YOUR DATE WITH THE YOUNG PRESIDENTS AND THEIR SPOUSES - A GROUP OF 300. AFTER EXPRESSING YOUR REGRETS AT BEING UNABLE TO MEET WITH THEM, I REVIEWED THE MAIN
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THEMES OF OUR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY, HIGHLIGHTING GROWING WORLD ECONOMIC INTERDEPENDENCE. I ALSO STRESSED OUR SUCCESS IN MOVING FROM CONFRONTATION TOWARDS COOPERATION WITH RAW MATERIALS PRODUCERS IN CIEC AND THE NEED TO AVOID FUTURE QUESTIONABLE PAYMENTS TO FOREIGN OFFICIALS.

ALSO DURING THE DAY: CHAIRED SMALL GROUP MEETING; WAS

BRIEFED BY WALTER MCCLELLAND BEFORE CHAIRING BOARD OF
FOREIGN SERVICE MEETING; MET WITH PRESS SPOKESMAN BROWN.

FROM HABIB:

I HAD A LONG SESSION THIS MORNING WITH KOREAN FOREIGN
MINISTER PARK. WE DISCUSSED AT LENGTH TACTICS FOR
HANDLING THE KOREAN QUESTION AT THE UN AND WERE IN
GOOD AGREEMENT ON OUR APPROACH. YOU WILL BE GETTING
A REPORT OF THIS MEETING.

I ALSO RECEIVED COURTESY CALLS BY THE EGYPTIAN
EMBASSY CHARGE, THE DANISH AMBASSADOR, AND OUR
AMBASSADOR TO THE CAMEROON.

IN ADDITION, I CONTINUED TO FOLLOW OUR DISCUSSIONS
WITH THE ISRAELIS ON THE AMOCO PROBLEM ON WHICH YOU
ARE RECEIVING FULL REPORTS.

ROBINSON

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